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TO IMPACT TEACHING AND  
LEARNING IN K-12 CLASSROOMS SO  
THAT MIGRANT STUDENTS ACHIEVE  
HIGH ACADEMIC SUCCESS.

# Arizona *Migrant Education Connection*

## A Message from the State Migrant Director:

We are off to an outstanding start for the 2016-17 school year. Our LEAs are implementing EZ Paper to enroll our students for the Migrant Education Program; both the July and September meetings were well attended; completion reports and funding allocations are being processed daily; planning for the Bi-national Teacher Exchange Program is under way; the launch of our new Migrant Website and Migrant Portal has happened. [www.azed.gov/migrant](http://www.azed.gov/migrant)  
All of this has taken place in the past four months.

It is beginning to feel a little bit more like the autumn season. With autumn comes the opportunity for parents to participate in the State Migrant Parent Advisory Council (SMPAC) meetings. Local Parent-Teacher Conferences are also approaching and all of us are working on meeting our MPOs of the Service Delivery Plan (SDP).

I want to personally thank each of you for all you do for our Migratory students. You play an integral role in their educational lives. From identifying to serving our students you are the heart and hands that keep our program alive and thriving. We have a strong Migrant community when it comes to contributing toward our students' learning and making decisions that impact others in positive ways.

As always, if I can be of assistance, please feel free to email, call or make an appointment to meet with me.

Sincerely,

*Mary Frances Haluska*

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State Migrant Director  
Arizona Department of Education

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

October 1, 2016	2017 Funding Application Due
October 15, 2016	Mini-Grant Applications Due
November 30, 2016	SMPAC Meeting: ASU (9:30 am—2:00 pm)
December 5, 2016	Release Summer School / Intersession Applications
January 20, 2017	Summer School / Intersession Applications due





# 2016

Another amazing Space Camp experience for our Arizona Migrant Students. They excitedly traveled to Huntsville, Alabama for the opportunity to participate in activities which include space-oriented camp programs, aircraft-themed Aviation Challenge camps, and outdoor oriented X-Camp programs, which are designed to promote science, engineering, aviation and exploration.



Exhibit at 2016 Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama.



Arizona Migrant Students attending 2016 Space Camp.



## Blast off for New Adventures in Learning

Space Camp® launched in 1982 to inspire and motivate young people from around the country to join the ranks of space pioneers who persevere to push the boundaries of human exploration. Today, with attendees from all 50 states, territories and more than 60 foreign countries, the immersive program continues to challenge young people to dream of a future in space.

With the U.S. Space & Rocket Center® as home base, trainees have an unparalleled environment to spur imagination. Historic space, aviation and defense hardware, along with exhibits that highlight current and future programs help Space Camp trainees transcend from, “What if?” to “Can do!” Space Camp alumni include NASA and ESA astronauts, engineers, scientists and technologists.

Static displays and unique settings provide excellent areas for classroom instruction while hands-on training, high fidelity simulations and enthusiastic crew trainers ignite the sizzle of Space Camp. Teamwork, leadership, decision-making: from mission control to space transport to space station, trainees gain personal and professional insights that profoundly impact their futures.

Camps are available for fourth grade through high school-age students. Additional programs are offered for trainees who are blind or visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing and those who have other special needs. Space Camp programs are also available for adults, educators, corporate groups and families. Family programs may include children as young as seven years old.

Space Camp has attracted more than 750,000 trainees since its inception.



## Overview of the 2016 AIFC Conference

The 2016 AIFC Conference was held in Prescott, Arizona at the Prescott Resort from September 26th through September 28th. Twelve presenters were invited to the conference by the AIFC Board of Directors to discuss several important issues to the Migrant Community, ranging from Citizenship to Certification Regulations. Many exciting new programs for Migratory Families were also unveiled at the conference. All twelve of the presentations from the conference are available at <http://www.aifc.org/newsandevents.html> for viewing.

On the third day of the conference, the Arizona Migrant Education Program held a workshop to present materials regarding Identification and Recruitment (ID & R), Coding, Funding, State Migrant Parent Advisory Council (SMPAC), and schedules to all of our Local Education Agencies (LEAs). These materials were presented to assist schools and districts with managing their Migrant Education Programs during the 2016—2017 school year. All of these materials are available at [www.azed.gov/migrant](http://www.azed.gov/migrant) for reference.

## Message from AIFC Board of Directors

We were able to raise over \$4000 from our live and silent auctions toward next year's AIFC scholarships.  
Thank you to all who participated!



For Questions or if you are interested in being a sponsor or presenter, please contact:  
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Arizona State University (ASU) has been recognized as the most innovative school in the United States, and as one of the best college values. ASU was recently awarded a College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) grant from the US Department of Education to provide academic, personal, and financial support to students from migrant and seasonal farmworker backgrounds during their first year in college.

ASU CAMP Scholars, the only program at a four-year university focused on serving the migrant farm working community of Arizona, provides migrant students with intensive support services with the goal of continued enrollment and graduation from Arizona State University. Support services include:

- Assistance with FAFSA, application to and enrollment in Arizona State University
- Stipends, in addition to Financial Aid, to assist with campus housing, medical, and transportation costs
- On campus residential community
- Tailored academic advising
- Laptop & textbook loaner program
- Transition program for parents & students
- Peer mentorship and social support
- Social and cultural enrichment activities
- Service learning, research seminar and symposiums, and conference travel grants
- Professional development opportunities, leadership training and internships

*(Note: Participants must be a US Citizen or permanent resident, be a high school graduate or have a GED, qualify to enroll fulltime at Arizona State University, and have earned less than 24 credits.)*

ASU CAMP also provides language-appropriate university access information to migrant families and follow-up services to CAMP Scholars throughout their university experience. ASU CAMP Scholars is staffed by first generation, bi-lingual English/Spanish professionals who are passionate about migrant student success. We would welcome the opportunity to present to your migrant families and answer any questions you may have. Please contact Dr. Seline Szkupinski Quiroga (ASU CAMP Scholars Director) [selinesq@asu.edu](mailto:selinesq@asu.edu) or Sandra Castro Solis (ASU CAMP Scholars Recruiter) [scastros@asu.edu](mailto:scastros@asu.edu)



# ASU CAMP Scholars

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# Professional Development Spotlight

Arizona Department of Education offers a full calendar of workshops/trainings. Please visit our Calendar of Events (<https://ems.azed.gov/Home/Calendar>) for class details and registration. Here is a selection of upcoming professional development opportunities that could be useful to you:

<div>ELD Professional Development</div> <div>October 2016 – December 2016</div> <div>Please go to <a href="http://ems.azed.gov">http://ems.azed.gov</a> to register</div>			
Training	Date	Price	Location*
Developing Phonemic Awareness, Decoding, and Fluency in English Language Learners	November 14, 2016	\$30	Central 16-104
Differentiating Writing Instruction for Middle and High School ELs (Webinar)	November 17, 2016 3:30 P.M.	FREE	N/A
2016 OELAS Conference	December 7-9, 2016	\$395	JW Marriott Starr Pass Tucson, AZ

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